2015-16 Kirkland Youth Council Application

Thank you for your interest in the Kirkland Youth Council! We are a group of about 45 teens from the middle schools and high schools in Kirkland as well as several local private schools. KYC members are involved with all kinds of stuff including service projects, special events, peer court, and our own television program. We are an active group that has the responsibility of representing our schools, social and cultural groups, the City, as well as the youth of Kirkland.

Please be sure to remember the following when submitting your application:

Complete all questions Sign Commitment Pledge
Applications are due Friday, September 25, 2015 All submitted material must be LEGIBLE !!

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2015-2016 KIRKLAND YOUTH COUNCIL APPLICATION FORM

Please print <u>legibly in ink</u>.

If we cannot read your application or if it is incomplete, you will not be eligible.

Name:	Male:	Female:		
Mailing Address:				
City:	Zip:			
E-mail Address (required!):		_		
School (if applicable):				
Grade: Age:	Birthday:			
Parent's Name:	Parent's Phone:			
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TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF				
Tell us what you're involved with at school (interests groups, clubs, ASB, school sports teams, etc.).				

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Tell us what you're involved with outside of school (interests, church, work, hobbies, clubs music, etc.)
Briefly tell us about your knowledge, experience, and interest in local, state, and/or federal government (i.e. classes at school, tours, conferences, etc.).
Which current KYC member (if any) recommended you apply to the Youth Council?
Anything Else You Want Us to Know About You?



Please Note: While it is true that being a part of the Kirkland Youth Council may "look good" on a resume or college application some day, we strongly discourage anyone who is joining solely for this reason. There is a time and effort commitment involved. We are a group of youth who are committed to making a difference in our community, who want to have fun, to learn about local government, have a voice and use it, and want to represent the youth of Kirkland.

Please be aware of the following **requirements** of all Kirkland Youth Council Members:

- Two Youth Council meetings per month (held on the second and fourth Mondays at 6:45pm).
- Represent the interests of the student body (of my school).
- Participation in four Youth Council service projects per year.
- Serve as juror for Teen Traffic Court at least twice during the school year.
- Participate in the production of the Kirkland Youth Council's video program, "We've Got Issues".
- Serve on at least one Mini Grant Review Committee.
- Actively participate in meetings and projects (everyone's ideas are important!).

Your signature below constitutes a pledge that your responses to the accurate and entirely your work. In addition, you understand and we Kirkland Youth Council if you are selected to represent your school, Kirkland.	vill follow the requirements of the
Signature	Date

!!!!IMPORTANT!!!!

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Please mail, deliver, fax, or e-mail to:

REGI SCHUBIGER
YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR
KIRKLAND PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
505 MARKET ST, STE A; KIRKLAND, WA 98033
425.587.3303

E-MAIL: KYC@KIRKLANDWA.GOV

So What Happens Now?

After you have submitted your <u>completed</u> paperwork, your application will be reviewed by a group of current Kirkland Youth Council members. The review committee will decide if you will be invited to interview sometime during the first week of October. You will be contacted either by phone or email. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK YOUR EMAIL/PHONE FOR MESSAGES. Once the interviews are completed all applicants will be contacted by mail. We are hoping to have our selection process completed by mid-October.

How do we choose new KYC members?

Each year, current Kirkland Youth Council members must select new members from the Kirkland area to fill positions that have been vacated. Guidelines for the selection process are as follows:

- The selection committee shall consist of the current KYC Leadership members and, when deemed necessary, other Kirkland Youth Council members.
- The selection committee will be fully committed to achieving a diverse council that represents all social, cultural, ethnic, gender, age, and sexual orientation groups that are a part of Kirkland's youth population.
- Kirkland Youth Council will not discriminate on the basis of age, gender, sexual orientation, cultural, ethnic, or social group.
- Youth and Human Services staff members serve in an advisory and supportive capacity during the selection process and have no voting privileges.
- Selection of new Kirkland Youth Council members is made on the basis of the KYC application and interviews.
- Selection of new members is determined primarily upon the following criteria: commitment, reliability, enthusiasm, desire to serve the community, and leadership skills.

So, you still have questions?

Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions; kyc@kirklandwa.gov or (425)587-3323.